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## PRESS RELEASE

### **USAID renovates Primary Music School in Kavadarci**

The American people, through the USAID Primary Education Project (PEP), are investing \$3 million in school renovations across Macedonia. The “Lazo Micev-Rale” primary music school in Kavadarci is the latest of over 100 schools that will be recipients of this assistance. New USAID Mission Director Michael Fritz, Mayor of Kavadarci, Panco Minov, USAID PEP Chief of Party, Keith Prenton and school Principal Zlatko Jovanov joined teachers and students to celebrate the complete renovation of the school, for which USAID’s Primary Education Project provided the replacement of the roof, floor and facade. The US Embassy also provided new musical instruments for the school.

“This project is an illustration of an exceptional partnership between the municipality, the school, the US Embassy and the USAID Primary Education Project. It is rewarding to see people come together and work together to achieve great results”, said Michael Fritz, the new USAID Mission Director

The renovation component of the USAID Primary Education Project supports the creation of better learning environments and decentralization of school facilities to municipal governments. The project also works to increase access to and the use of information technology and to improve the quality of math and science education in Macedonian primary schools.

#### **NOTE TO EDITORS:**

The American people, through USAID, have invested nearly \$500 million in Macedonia since 1993. USAID is implementing projects that create jobs, reduce corruption, and prepare Macedonian students for the workforce. These initiatives improve the quality of life and support Macedonia’s transition to a stable and prosperous democracy. USAID provides economic and humanitarian assistance in more than 100 countries. For more information please visit <http://macedonia.usaid.gov>.